PARTNERSHIPS IN COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION: INCREASING USE OF PUBLIC TRANSIT THROUGH TRAVEL TRAINING

APRIL 24, 2003

A Videoconference Broadcast at six Sites:

Bloomington, Evansville, Indianapolis, Muncie, New Albany, South Bend Sponsored by the Community Transportation Initiative and funded by the Indiana Governor's Planning Council for People with Disabilities

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Transportation provides access to opportunities like employment, education, and recreation. When individuals have access to transportation, they gain a sense of freedom and community participation. In the past, people with disabilities have not had many transportation options due to lack of accessibility. Accessibility features such as lifts for boarding and policies like mandatory stop announcements now make riding the public transportation a feasible option for people with disabilities.

NATIONAL PRESENTERS

Donna Smith, Easter Seals Project ACTION, works with communities to enhance accessible transportation options for people with all abilities through the provision of training and technical assistance to transit providers, disability service providers and disability advocacy organizations.

Karen Wolf-Branigin, Easter Seals Project ACTION, is responsible for the project's national training and technical assistance services provided to members of the disability community and the transportation industry.

Peter Schauer, President of Peter Schauer Associates, has over twenty years experience consulting in the public transit field in all 50 states and 14 Native American Reservations. He will utilize his unique skills in teaching diverse groups about the many facets of transit to help facilitate this videoconference.

LOCATIONS

Bloomington

Indiana Institute on Disability and Community 2853 E. 10th Street Meeting Room B Bloomington, IN 47408 Site Coordinator: Vicki Pappas

Evansville

University of Southern Indiana 8600 University Boulevard HP 1027 Evansville, IN 47712 Site Coordinator: Nancy Cassidy

Indianapolis

Goodwill Industries 1635 West Michigan Street Goodwill Industries Conference Room Indianapolis, IN 47222 Site Coordinator: Betsy Kachmar

Muncie

Ball State University 2000 University Avenue Room: TBA Muncie, IN 47306 Site Coordinator: Beth Quarles

New Albany

Indiana University Southeast 4201 Grant Line Road Hillside Hall #102 New Albany, IN 47150 Site Coordinator: Albert Tolbert

South Bend

Indiana University – South Bend 1700 Mishawaka Avenue NS 038 South Bend, IN 46615 Site Coordinator: Paul Shankland

Space is limited, so be sure to register early!

AGENDA

9:00 - 9:30 am	Registration
9:30 - 10:00 am	Introductions by Site Coordinator
10:00 – 10:10 am	Welcome, Moderator
10:10 – 11:00 am	A Systematic Approach to an Accessible System, Peter Schauer
10.10 11.00 am	National Transit Consultant
11:00 – 11:20 am	A Consumer Approach, David Scott, Seasoned Transit Rider
11:20 – 11:35 am	Local Site Discussion, Site Coordinator
11:35 – 11:55 am	Regional Site Comments
11:55 – 12:25 pm	Lunch
12:25 – 12:30 pm	Introduction, Moderator
12:30 – 1:00 pm	What is Travel Training? Donna Smith and Karen Wolf-Branigin,
. 2.00	Easter Seals Project ACTION
1:00 - 1:30 pm	Models Across the Nation, Donna Smith and Karen Wolf-
1100 pm	Branigin, Easter Seals Project ACTION
1:30 - 1:50 pm	Local Efforts in Travel Training, Roscoe Brown, IndyGo and
	Carson Parker, Crossroads Rehabilitation
1:50 - 2:10 pm	Local Site Discussions, Site Coordinator
2:10 - 2:30 pm	Regional Site Comments
2:30 - 2:45 pm	Speaker Comments
2:45 - 3:00 pm	Evaluation/Adjournment
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